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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORC, UNGA, RQ, US
SUBJECT: COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO

1. AT THE AFTERNOON MEETING OF THE C-24 ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, IRAQ SUPPORTED THE CUBAN DRAFT IN A BRIEF STATEMENT WHICH REFERRED TO VARIOUS NONALIGNED DECISIONS. IT ALSO NOTED THAT STATEMENTS BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VARIOUS PARTIES AND ELEMENTS IN PUERTO RICO WHO APPEARED BEFORE THE COMMITTEE THIS YEAR REVEALED A CONSENSUS ON VARIOUS ISSUES INCLUDING: THE "COLONIAL STATUS" OF PUERTO RICO, THAT THE C-24 HAS JURISDICTION AND THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE. THE IRAQUI REPRESENTATIVE (KHALEF) EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE COMMITTEE WOULD ADOPT A RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO -- A PROPOSAL THE CUBAN RESOLUTION COULD SERVE.

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2. FORRESTER (AUSTRALIA) THEN PROPOSED THAT NO DECISION ON THE QUESTION BE TAKEN UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE, AND THE CHAIRMAN SO DECIDED.

3. THE COMMITTEE IS NEXT SCHEDULED TO MEET ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AT 3:30 PM.

4. JOURNALIST SOURCES HAVE INFORMED US THAT HE CUBANS ARE STATING THAT C-24 DELEGATIONS ARE UNDER "INTENSE US PRESSURE" AND THAT THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE VOTE IS BECAUSE THE US DOESN'T HAVE THE SUPPORT IT NEEDS.

5. JUST PRIOR TO THE COMMITTEE'S MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 1, VRAALSEN (NORWAY) MADE ANOTHER EFFORT TO SEEK A CONSENSUS DECISION WHICH CUBAN PERM REP ALARCON REJECTED.

6. FORRESTER PROVIDED US WITH A TEXT OF THE STATEMENT HE WILL MAKE ON SEPTEMBER 2 PROPOSING ADJOURNMENT OF THE DEBATE UNTIL THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT SESSION (DATAFAXED TO THE DEPT. - SCHIELE-IO/UNP). HE INFORMED US THAT INDIAN PERM REP JAIPAL WILL SPEAK FIRST ALONG THE LINES THAT THE COMMITTEE SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE INVOLVED IN THE CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO.

7. AS OF 1800 WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM THAT THE SIERRA LEONE MISSION HAS RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS.

8. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN UNABLE TO CONFIRM THAT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WILL ABSTAIN AS EXPECTED AND ARE SEEKING SUCH CONFIRMATION.

9. CONGOLESE CHARGE TOLD AMBASSADOR LOWENSTEIN THAT HE DIDN'T THINK HE HAD ENOUGH "CLOUT" TO DO ANYTHING TO HELP.
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HE SAID SOMEONE FROM THE CONGO MISSION WOULD CALL MISOFF ON SEPTEMBER 2. CONGO WAS ABSENT FROM TODAY'S MEETING.

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